

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL 5720 INTEGRITY DRIVE MILLINGTON TN 38055-0000

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Mr. Russ Kick
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address

Dear Mr. Kick:

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in which you seek a copy of the U.S. Navy Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) pertaining to Captain John Sidney McCain III (Ret). Your request was received in this office on September 13, 2018, has been assigned FOIA correspondence file number CNPC20180638 by this command.

A releasable copy of the responsive OMPF is enclosed. Portions of the documentation are exempt from disclosure under FOIA exemption 6 [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6)]. Release of such information would be a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals other than Captain McCain. Portions of the documentation are exempt from disclosure under FOIA exemption (b)(3) in conjunction with 10 U.S.C. § 1506(d) and (f). Full disclosure of this documentation would provide exempt information reflecting the debriefing of a missing person returned to U.S. control from July 8, 1959, forward.

Because your request is partially denied by this command, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination in writing to the Office of the Judge Advocate General, OJAG Code 14, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066.

If an appeal is deemed necessary, it must be received in that office within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter, in order to be considered. To expedite an appeal, you should enclose a copy of this letter and a copy of the original request along with a statement regarding why your appeal should be granted. The letter of appeal and the envelope should bear the notation, "FOIA/PA APPEAL."

I am the official responsible for the partial denial of your request. Should you wish to discuss the processing of your

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request, you may contact the undersigned at (901) 874-3165. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or (703) 697-0031. Further, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) as they provide a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the Department of the Navy (DON). For more information, please go to: https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information.

Sincerely,

D. P. GERMAN

FOIA/PA Officer

By direction